

Lake County Patient/Caregiver Cultivation Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

- Growing cannabis is permitted, if you are a qualified patient 18 or over and the parcel has a legal residence.
- Up to 6 mature or 12 immature plants per qualified patient for up to 5 qualified patients. All patients must live on the parcel.
- Cultivation must be within a greenhouse, accessory structure, or single family dwelling and can be up to 100 square feet per patient. However, each 100 square feet of cultivation must be contained in separate structures. Hoop houses are not permitted.
- Cultivation may take place outdoors not within a greenhouse or accessory structure if your parcel is 5 acres or larger and your property is not within 1,000 feet of:
 - o Any public or private school, grades 1 through 12.
 - o A developed public park containing playground equipment.
 - A drug or alcohol rehabilitation facility.
 - A licensed child care or daycare facility or nursery school, church or youth-oriented facility catering to or providing services primarily intended for minors.
- Outdoor cultivation cannot exceed 100 square feet per patient and cannot be combined together into the same cultivation area.
- A fence is required and must be at least 6 feet tall to screen any outdoor cultivation area, greenhouse, or accessory structure that contains cultivation. The cannabis cannot be visible through the fence.
- A zoning clearance is required for any new accessory structure.
- A building permit must be obtained for a ventilation and filtration system, as well as for any plumbing and electrical improvements if cultivation is within a greenhouse, accessory structure, or home.
- A building permit may also be required for a fence.
- A zoning permit is also required if you live in an apartment, mobile home park, or condo.

For any questions or help with the permitting process, please call Lake County Community Development Department at (707)263-2221.